

Mystery of Modesty

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A touch of modesty in clothes adds a sense of mystery

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What's going on with the way some girls are dressing?

I am so tired of seeing girls running around in short skirts, shirts and shorts. It's almost as if they're going around with nothing on at all.

I am constantly seeing girls pulling at their shirts, shorts or skirts to keep different things from popping out.

Bathing suits are especially disturbing.

If a girl were to go outside in her undergarments, she would get arrested, but it's perfectly fine for her to go outside in a skimpy bikini. That makes absolutely no sense.

Where are the parents of these girls? My parents would never let me outside of the house if I were dressed in a miniskirt, short shorts or halter top.

Those clothes aren't appropriate for anyone, let alone a teenage girl. If a girl goes outside wearing those types of clothing, she is setting herself up for sexual harassment or even abuse.

I've asked many of my male friends for their opinion on this subject.



Guys are attracted visually first - it's just the way they're set up. They say they get the instant gratification of seeing a girl in the Barbie-sized clothes, but that in the long run, the girls look cheap and easy.

I don't know about all girls, but I know that's not the way I want to be seen. I want men to see me with dignity and respect, and that's not what you'll get if you dress in miniskirts, halter tops or tiny shorts.

I'm not saying you have to drop your style to look nice. You can get very stylish clothes that are more modest at the same places you shop now. I do admit, it is getting harder, but it isn't impossible. I can go to several stores and pick out modest clothing that is still cute and stylish.

There is no excuse to dress in clothes that make you look sleazy.

I'm certain that not everyone who reads this article will go shopping for a better wardrobe, but I hope you'll at least give your clothing selections more thought. No one wants to see you hanging out of your clothes or bathing suits.

Why not be a woman of mystery rather than laying it all out there for everyone to see?

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